

# **Credential Application**

Safety and Buildings Division 201 W. Washington Avenue P.O. Box 7082 Madison WI 53707-7082

Phone (608) 261-8500 TDD #: (608) 264-8777 7:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. www.commerce.state.wi.us

Personal information you provide may be used for secondary purposes [Privacy Law, s. 15.04(1)(m)].

# THE CREDENTIAL WILL NOT BE PROCESSED UNLESS YOU:

- A. Sign and date this form;
- B. Submit a complete application with all blanks filled in or marked non-applicable;
- C. Attach the specified fee; and
- D. Attach documents if specified on this application.

**Instructions:** Please review the pre-printed information in the boxed portions of this application. Clearly print corrections or new information where needed. Please use a color of ink other than black. **Be certain to sign and date the application**. The applicant's social security number is mandatory information. **Make a photocopy of the completed application for your records.** 

By signing below, the applicant swears that all information provided on this application is true, accurate and that the credential requirements are met. Notice: Information collected may be used for participation surveys, eligibility for approvals, law enforcement (including child support and tax delinquency enforcement) purposes and other secondary purposes. The Department may also provide this information to requesters pursuant to Wisconsin's open records law, ss. 19.31-19.39 stats. Social security numbers are required when applying for a license according to Wisconsin Stats. But they may not be disclosed to anyone except other State of Wisconsin governmental agencies.

Applicant's Signature	Date (mo/day/yr)
Applicant Information	
Applicant's Social Security No:	
Applicant's Name (First, Middle and Last):	
Address No. & Street, or P.O. Box:	
City, Town or Village, State, Zip + 4 Code:	
Country, If Other Than United States:	
Telephone No. (include area code):	
If Available, Fax No. (include area code):	
If Available, Internet Address:	

# COMMERCIAL BUILDING INSPECTOR CERTIFICATION

**Application and Exam Fee (nonrefundable):** \$30.00 class code7648

Make checks payable to: Safety and Buildings Division. The fee consists of a \$10 application fee and an exam fee of \$20. When the exam is passed, the applicant will be asked to pay a \$30 credential fee which will be prorated because the credential expires on a specific date. The credential, which will be issued after the exam is passed and the prorated credential fee paid, will be effective for 4 years from June 30<sup>th</sup>. Applications may be hand delivered to 201 W. Washington Ave, Fourth Floor, Madison, WI between the hours of 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

New Comm 5 Changes affecting your license: Rule revisions effective August 1, 2004, adjusted the length of terms for some Safety and Buildings Division credentials. Fees were not increased nor were continuing education requirements increased, but were adjusted accordingly to reflect the longer license cycle. The total renewal fee and the required continuing

education hours changed as the credentials went from two- or three-year terms to four-year terms. For specific code language, see Comm 5.06 (online at http://www.commerce.state.wi.us/SB/SB-DivCodesListing.html).

A person holding a commercial building inspector certification may apply, without examination, for UDC-construction or UDC-HVAC inspector certification.

**Reason for Credential:** A person who holds a credential issued by the department as a certified commercial building inspector may conduct inspections of public buildings and places of employment for the purpose of administering and enforcing the Commercial Building Code, chs. Comm 61-65. A person who holds a credential as a certified commercial building inspector may conduct inspections of:

- Public buildings and places of employment for the purpose of administering and enforcing the state Commercial Building Code, chs. Comm 61-65.
- One- and two-family dwellings for the purpose of administering and enforcing chs. Comm 20-23 of the Uniform Dwelling Code. This credential is mandatory for certified municipalities staff per s. Comm 61.70 and for in-plant inspections of manufactured multifamily dwellings by inspection agencies per s. Comm 61.51 (2).

**Requirements of Credential:** A person who inspects public buildings and places of employment as a certified commercial building inspector shall:

- Maintain a record of the inspections made including the date and the findings of the inspections;
- Provide a copy of the inspection report to the owner of the property or his or her agent; and
- Make available to the department upon request his or her inspection records.

A person who holds the credential shall carry on his or her person the credential issued by the department while performing or conducting the activity or activities permitted under the credential.

### APPLYING FOR COMMERCIAL BUILDING INSPECTOR CERTIFICATION

A person may obtain a credential as a certified commercial building inspector by either one of the following:

Method 1 Taking and passing the commercial building inspector certification examination.

Method 2 Submitting evidence of holding a current a certification as a :

Commercial Combination Inspector ICC

**Building Inspector ICC** 

Combination Plan Examiner ICC

Commercial Building Inspector and Commercial Mechanical Inspector ICC

Building Plan Examiner and Mechanical Plan Examiner ICC

OR

Architect Engineer

Apply for the credential by following the instructions for either method 1 or method 2.

### **METHOD 1 - Examination**

**Examination:** In order to obtain the credential the applicant must obtain a score of at least 70% on an examination. The exam will cover chapters Comm 5, Wisconsin Administrative Code; WI-Amended 2000 IBC, IMC, IFGC, and IECC; and ANSI A117.1-1998 Accessibility Standard. This exam is open book. Copies of current Wisconsin Administrative Code books may be obtained from Document Sales @ (608) 266-3358 or @ (800) 362-7253. Copies of the enrolled amended IBC, IMC, IFGC, and IECC are available for purchase from our office by using the attached order form. Copies of the ANSI A117.1 standard are available for purchase from <a href="https://www.intlcodes.org">www.intlcodes.org</a> or Telephone (800) 214-4321.

To schedule an exam:

- In the table below circle the month you would like to take the exam and the city in which you would like to take the exam. Record a telephone number where you can be reached during the day in case the exam center is filled for that date. The department will attempt to call and offer exams at available sites or dates.
- Submit the FEE AND THIS APPLICATION with the month and city circled for the exam to the division at least 30 days in advance of the exam date chosen. Note you may wish to keep a copy of this letter for your records.

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Day phone number:

A letter confirming the exact date, time and location will be sent to you.

## **METHOD 2 – Proof of Current Licensure**

December 6

December 13

The fee for applying for the credential using method 2 is as specified in the following table:

Month Application	Fee	Month Application	Fee	Month Application	Fee
is mailed		is mailed		is mailed	
January	\$36.25	May	\$33.75	September	\$38.75
February	\$35.63	June	\$33.13	October	\$38.13
March	\$35.00	July	\$40.00	November	\$37.50
April	\$34.38	August	\$39.38	December	\$36.88

Record the amount of the fee you will be sending in the box below:

Fee Submitted (nonrefundable): \$ class code 7648

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ATTACH to this form a copy of a current certification as a:

Commercial Combination Inspector ICC

**Building Inspector ICC** 

Combination Plan Examiner ICC

Commercial Building Inspector and Commercial Mechanical Inspector ICC

Building Plan Examiner and Mechanical Plan Examiner ICC

OR

Architect

Engineer

Education Hours Required to Renew: The renewal of a credential as a certified commercial building inspector which has an expiration date after June 30, 2006, shall be contingent upon the inspector obtaining at least 24 hours of acceptable continuing education by March 30th of the year the credential expires. People unable to attend lectures or seminars may be able to obtain the necessary hours through correspondence courses. Correspondence courses must also be completed at least three months prior to the expiration date in order to avoid taking the exam. A person who holds a credential as a certified commercial building inspector may apply to the department for waiver of the continuing education requirements on the grounds of prolonged illness or disability or similar circumstances. Each application for waiver shall be considered individually on its merits by the department.

# Obtaining the Wisconsin Commercial Building Code

The Wisconsin Commercial Building Code is chapters Comm 61 to 65 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code. (Note that the WCBC adopts and modifies various International Code Council codes, provisions of which are included in the Enrolled version of the WCBC. Provisions of the ICC codes are not included in the paper versions sold by state Document Sales or the electronic versions online from the state Revisor of Statutes.)

The *Wisconsin Enrolled Commercial Building Code* includes Comm 61 to 65 and the adopted provisions of the International Code Council codes: *International Building Code*, *International Energy Conservation Code*, *International Mechanical Code*, and *International Fuel Gas Code*. The up-to-date 2003 Enrolled *WCBC* is available in a two-volume, ring-binder paper set, for \$200, and in a single-user, compact-disc electronic version for \$240. Note that there have been two *WCBC* revision packages since the Enrolled Code was originally printed in 2002. There are two update sets of pages for the original paper 2002 version of the Enrolled Code, available for free download or for purchase (\$10 per set), more info. The paper copies of the Enrolled Code, as of November 21, 2003, are complete new versions which do not need any update pages. (All CD copies of the Enrolled Code, no matter when purchased, are the latest versions and do not need any updating!) See the order form and more info about the Enrolled Code.

**Online** *WCBC*, (not ICC code provisions) free viewing or download: www.legis.state.wi.us/rsb/code/comm/comm061.html.

**Paper WCBC** copies (not with ICC code provisions) may be purchased, for \$32 plus tax, from the Document Sales and Distribution office of the Wisconsin Department of Administration. Document Sales does offer an update service, for a fee, to provide copies of any state code revisions during a subscribed period of time. (The state update service does NOT iclude any update to the Enrolled *WCBC*. There is no automatic update service for revisions to the Enrolled *WCBC*. You obtain updates to the Enrolled *WCBC* by buying or downloading replacement pages.)

- You may telephone (with a Visa or MasterCard credit card), 800-362-7253, or 608-264-9419.
- You may purchase from the Document Sales office, 202 South Thornton Avenue, Madison, 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- Through the mail (with an order form) using a check, money order, or Visa or MasterCard credit card. The order form is available by calling 800-362-7253, or 608-264-9419, or from the Document Sales Web site.
- By fax, 608-261-8150, using the order form along with a Visa or MasterCard credit card.

ICC Codes: Comm 61 to 65 adopts and modifies the 2000 edition codes produced by the International Code Council, but does NOT contain the text of these codes: *International Building Code*, *International Energy Conservation Code*, *International Mechanical Code*, and *International Fuel Gas Code*. The 2000 ICC codes can be purchased in several formats, for various prices: International Code Council, 4051 West Flossmoor Road, Country Club Hills, IL 60478-5795; 708-799-2300, or www.iccsafe.org.

# Order Form - Wisconsin Enrolled Commercial Building Code - Nov. 2003 See below for definitions of the various versions of the Enrolled Code Number of sets of the latest full hardcopy version (\$200 per set) \_\_\_\_\_ Number of copies of the latest full single-user, compact-disc version (\$240 per copy) \_\_\_\_\_ Number of sets of 2002 replacement pages (\$10 per set) \_\_\_\_\_ Number of sets of 2003 replacement pages (\$10 per set) \_\_\_\_\_ Send check for the total amount (\$&B cannot accept credit or debit card purchases) to the "Safety and Buildings Division" Attn: Roberta Ward, P.O. Box 2689, Madison WI 53701 Company or individual name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Shipping street address: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Special instructions, such as shipping company and customer number for overnight shipping: \_\_\_\_\_\_ City, state, zip: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fiscal code 8035 Personal information you provide may be used for secondary purposes [Privacy Law, s. 1504(1)(m)]

As of November 21, 2003, the second paper printing of the Enrolled Code became available. The second paper printing differs from the original 2002 printing by incorporating code changes that became effective on July 1, 2002, and on May 1, 2003, and includes various minor

editorial changes. (All current versions of the CD copy of the Enrolled Code, no matter when purchased, are second printing, and do not need any updating!)

Replacement Pages: Any paper copies of the 2002 printing that were purchased before July 8, 2002, can be updated to match the second, 2003, printing by obtaining a 2002 set of replacement pages and a 2003 set of replacement pages. Any paper copies of the 2002 printing that were received after July 8, 2002 and before November 21, 2003, (which did include the 2002 set of replacement pages) can be updated to match the second printing by obtaining just the 2003 set of replacement pages. These two sets of replacement pages can be downloaded free on the S&B WebSite, or can be purchased using the above order form. If you are not sure of when you purchased your Enrolled Code, you can look at replacement pages linked here below to see whether your code copy has the updates that are in the replacement pages.